

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be made prior to examination of the present application.

In the specification, a paragraph has been added on page 1.

Claims 3, 4, 6-9, 11-15 and 18-20 have been amended to eliminate multiple dependency and to place them in better form for U.S. practice. A detailed listing of all claims that are in the application is presented with an appropriate defined status identifier.

Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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